Site # WA-HAG-209

Date: Ca. 1915

Property Name: (Historic) National Biscuit Company Warehouse

(Present) R.E. Michel Company

Location: 36 West Lee Street

Hagerstown, Maryland

Access: private X, public ____

Description:

Located along the Washington County Branch of the B&O Railroad is the former National Biscuit Company Warehouse. It is a one story brick structure with a Neo-classical facade. Brick corbeling across the front creates parallel horizontal incised lines which terminate with a cornice, frieze and modillions. At the top there is a baroque curved parapet with a central projection resembling a keystone. Two sets of paired windows, two single windows and a door are located in the front elevation. The door is topped with a cast stone keystone. The rear of the building is divided into bays with vertical corbeled pilasters. Openings have segmentally arched tops. Along the west side are doors which presumably originally opened onto a platform for loading onto rail cars. On the east side is a recent concrete block addition.

Significance:

This building is one of a group of commercial/
industrial structures built along Hagerstown's railways in
the early 20th century. Unlike other such structures, this
building has a Neo-classical facade which although simple,
gives the structure a distinguished appearance.

Historic Context:

Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data

Geographic Organization: Western Maryland

Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Economic/Social/Cultural Architecture

Resource Type: Rail-Related Resources

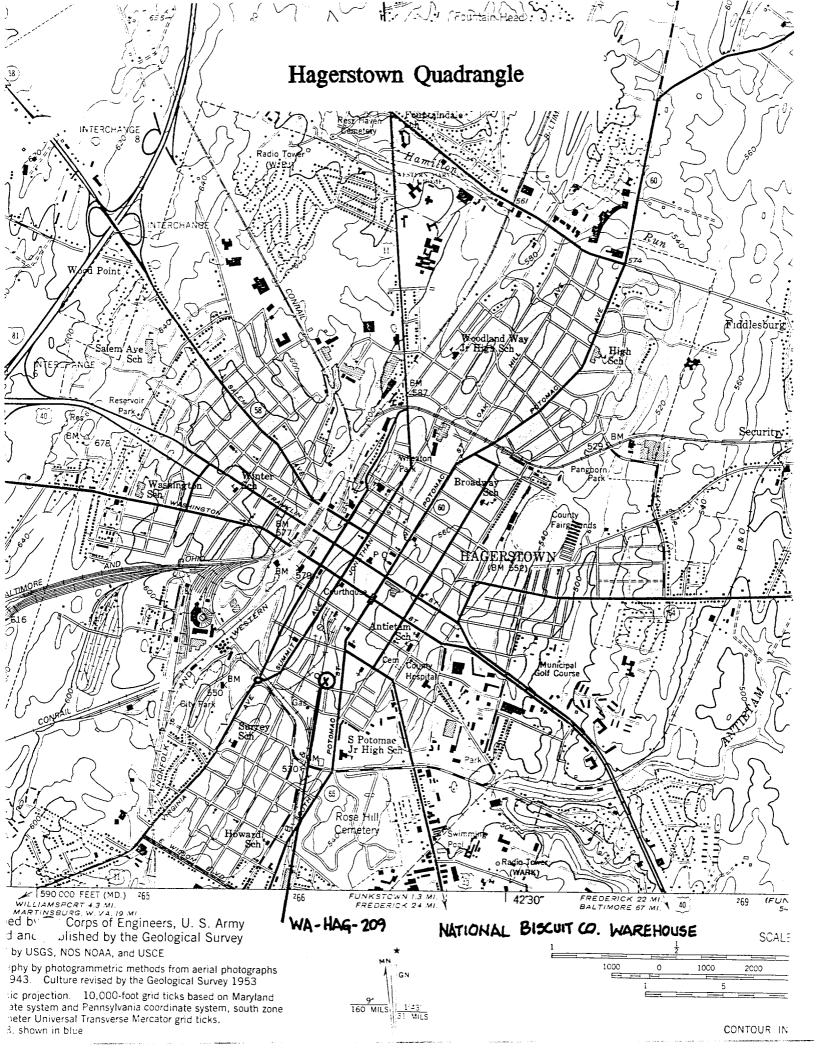
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